






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Public Works Committee to the question of constructing harbours works at the Bellinger River, the witnesses examined were Peter Rea, of the Bellinger River, and Messrs. C. E. Remond, chief draftsman, Department of Lands; W. Remond, Government Statistician's Office; W. Freidley, timber merchant; and G. C. Cox, Department Board, Department of Mines.

**MILTON'S POWER.**—Four—At the beginning of last month a deprivation consisting of the Mayor of North Sydney, the Mayor of Leichhardt, and several residents of Milton's Point was introduced to the Postmaster-General by Mr. E. Clark, M.L.A., to urge upon the Minister the necessity for improved postal facilities for that section of New South Wales.

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NAVY NEWS.—The flagship H.M.S. Royal Arthur and H.M.S. Karikal left dawn for

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**THE WEATHER.**—There were further falls of rain on the northern coast yesterday, and increased showers in the southern districts. It is remarkable how the heavy rain limit on the coast persistently remains about the northern shore, or more than a week heavy rain has been reported at the Tweed, Richmond, and Clarence, accompanied by strong easterly winds, reaching to the strength of a gale. Last night the same was rough along that part of the coast, and a strong easterly swell was prevailing generally north of Sydney, the result of bad weather in the offing.

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ending of 102° in the shade, Kuston had the same, 101° at Currashod and Deshlaya; Judgegillo 100, and many of the Western stations 97° and over. The lowest readings in the colony were at Combarabara 93° and Nandun 98; and the warmest range of temperature in 24 hours took place at Balmoral, where the thermometer fell from 102° to 49°, with Combarabara a point second from 82° as a maximum to 1 degree over freezing point.

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Mr. J. E. Shaw, and Mr. M. G. Livingston, Learmonth. There were originally 600 passengers on board, but 100 had disembarked second cabin passengers, and 100 in the third class. The Polynesian has also a large number of Australian passengers and through passengers for New Caledonia, whither she proceeds to-morrow. She is owned by Messrs. H. P. and O. Company's Arcade, from London, and arrived at Albany early yesterday, and sailed for her present voyage. Her master to North Island will leave Sydney on next Wednesday. The Marquis will reach Sydney on Saturday morning. The Lloyd Company's "Gera," from Bremen, is due at Central Quay on Sunday morning next.

SAILING OF AN AMERICAN LUGER.—The steamer

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London, to a steamship on the 24th, a number of passengers and some cargo. A fair-sized party of Aberdeen passengers have also looked on from the pier at London. In connection with the Aberdeen's visit Messrs. Dalgety have almost put up a new forecastle for the ship, and have been busy for some time for despatch. The Aberdeen arrived in the harbour from London last Friday with 2000 tons of general cargo, and in the brief time which has elapsed since, six and a half cargoes have been landed. The cargo consists of 1000 tons of cargo, particulars of which appear in another column, have been landed and stowed, and 1800 tons of coal for use on the voyage home have been put on board. This is

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**RE-EXPORT OF PRODUCE.**—The steamer *Arden*, which sails to-day for Cape Town and London, has a shipment of 100 tons of produce of mutton and 350 of corn, valued at \$55,000, of butter in her refrigerated compartments.

**PEPPER IN SOUTHERN STOCK.**—The steamer *Wairarapa*, which to-day is due here to *Manila*, *Malaga* and *Co.*, has on board two millions of northern bulls, the property of *Dr. John Hay*.

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must have given 18,000 gallons of milk each to two calf and calf. Messrs. Weddell and Co. selected the young bull Knightly, bred by Mr. Y. Sharp, of Brougham, Kettering, and Edw. Harrington 20th, Lord M. Ashburnham, of Weymouth. The "British Aristocrat," referring to the departure from England of the bull, remarks, "his pedigree are irreproachable." Though the cattle were subjected to the bacterium test before leaving London they must undergo a period of three months' detention here under the quarantine regulations.

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President of the National Art Gallery of New South Wales of the foregoing, and to assure him in reply to his letter of the warm interest which I have in your undertaking." Mr. Du Faur has also received a letter from Lord Jersey, Lord Milford Park, Bicester, February 18, stating that he has been asked by the Lady Jersey to send a letter to the trustees of the National Gallery of the exhibition. Lord Jersey is very strongly of opinion that it will be wisely supported, and adds that "there are so many exhibitions in London it is very necessary to attract the attention of the public."

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(of the New South Wales Selection Commission) stating that he will unfortunately be unable to attend the opening of the exhibition, and the Princess open of London, when the selection commission will be in session.

The Duke of York has abandoned the idea of visiting the exhibition.

Word has been received, however, that the Duke of York will visit the collection during the period of its exhibition at the Galleries.

**COMPILATION OF MINES EXHIBITION.**—The New South Wales Chamber of Mines is leading head in the effort which, if it prove successful, will result in the publication of an authentic and valuable guide to the mining industry of the colony.

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night, the work is being carried on almost inseparably during winter to the difference of mining supplies. The position is to supply the essential facts. The user desires to be as complete as a handbook on the mining industry as it is possible to obtain. The object in view, it is argued, is the promotion of mining, an object which is believed to be best attained by keeping the public well informed and elsewhere a knowledge of the general possibilities of the colony.

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